

## SOME SIGNS THAT TELL HOW THIS CITY IS GROWING

Three Hundred Water Con-  
nections Within a Year.

NEW POSTOFFICE QUARTERS  
ALREADY OVERCROWDED

Ask a real estate dealer if Albuquerque is on a boom and he will inform you frigidly that there's nothing to it. He will say that it's just a healthy growth, and just what was to have been expected. It is not exactly a boom, but it is a growth that is as healthy as could well be desired. It is in fact a robust growth—a growth that is almost strenuous. Building operations have never been quite so active here before and there are indications that the coming year will see nothing but a steady increase in this activity and a steady spreading out of Albuquerque in all directions.

**What Water Connections Tell.**  
Tell the average man that there have been three hundred water connections made in residence districts in Albuquerque within the past eight months and he will stare at you and ask what about it.  
When you tell him that it means that just that many new homes or about that many new homes, then he opens his eyes and recognizes that the town is growing. The matter of water connections alone is sufficiently interesting. It is safe to assume that at least four-fifths of these three hundred connections represent new houses and a trip around Albuquerque will show that the new houses are occupied, down to the last one. These water connection figures alone represent an increase in the population of Albuquerque in the period mentioned, of at least 1,500 people.

**More Letter Carriers Needed.**  
It pays to stop and look back once in a while, just to see how far we have moved along, and according to Postmaster Hopkins, we have moved quite a bit within the past half year. The postmaster has his application under consideration in the postoffice department for two additional carriers for the city delivery. Were both in service now both would have all the work they could do, with very little lessening of the burdens of the present force. The mails into Albuquerque, according to the postmaster, have grown so heavy of late that it is now almost impossible to handle them as they should be handled with the space and employees now allowed. The postoffice was enlarged by some twenty-five feet in length of building less than two months ago. It is now too small and the mails to be handled grow heavier every day.

**Lots of Passengers Coming In.**  
Every train from the east these days brings its quota of people for Albuquerque. Monday and Tuesday of this week there were more than one hundred strangers, passengers for Albuquerque, aside from the usual run of travelers, and according to the conductors, they have come here to stay. Last night the number was almost as large.

The indications are that the winter population will be larger than ever before, and while there are none of the indications that go with a boom, as can be seen from the lack of speculative activity in real estate, the growth is rapid enough, and substantial enough to cause the heart of the loyal citizen of Albuquerque to swell up with satisfaction.

## SHAW'S BILLIARD PARLORS MAKING A HIT

ELEGANT NEW ESTABLISHMENT  
ON RAILROAD AVENUE IS  
BEING WELL PATRONIZED.

The attractive billiard and pool parlors of William Shaw on Railroad avenue are proving extremely popular with the people of the city, and the five billiard tables are surrounded all day and all evening with a crowd of enthusiastic devotees of the game. The room is a spacious one, handsomely fitted up and with gentlemanly attendants, and is a thoroughly first-class establishment in every way. Mr. Shaw's desire to furnish a clean, refined place of amusement for young men, and old ones, too, for that matter, where they can spend the evening pleasantly playing the fascinating game or in social intercourse with agreeable people, has been well rewarded. The proprietor has furnished a splendid place of amusement for pleasure seekers, and wants to cater only to the best class of the people of the city. Such a place where young men can spend their leisure time without being obliged to go to saloons or other places has been badly needed in Albuquerque and will supply a long felt want.

"I was confident the people of Albuquerque wanted such a place of amusement," said Mr. Shaw last night, "but the generous way the place has been patronized since I opened the doors has surprised me. I have had all the business I have been able to attend to during the last few days and have been feeling pretty good over the comments that have been made. I have gone to a good deal of expense getting ready for business here. My tables are the heaviest and most expensive obtainable and all the rest of the paraphernalia is as good as I could find anywhere. Among the best people of the town have been dropping in to have a game, and I am securing exactly the kind of patronage I wish."

**A Judicious Inquiry.**  
A well known traveling man who visits the drug trade says he has often heard druggists inquire of customers who asked for a cough medicine, whether it was wanted for a child or for an adult, and if for a child they almost invariably recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. The reason for this is that they know that there is no danger from it and that it always cures. There is not the least danger in giving it, and for coughs, colds and croup it is unsurpassed. For sale by all druggists.

**Colonist Rates to the Northwest.**  
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# NOTICE

March 24th, last, H. B. Ray, an old resident of the city, book-keeper at the Albuquerque Foundry, purchased from the Surety Investment Company, on the installment plan, Lot 11, in Block 15, Eastern Addition—Highlands; consideration to be \$175.00.

Saturday, October 21st, less than seven months afterwards, up to which time he had only paid \$85.00 in installments, he sold the lot for \$250.00 cash—thus making a net profit of \$75.00 on an actual investment of only \$85.00.

Monday, of this week, Mr. Ray came to the office and bought Lots 1 and 2, in Block 20, same addition.

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## TERRITORIALISMS

William Latimer committed suicide in Phoenix last Sunday by drinking carbolic acid.

Two school buildings have been closed in Phoenix on account of diphtheria, but an epidemic is not feared.

**Artesian Water at Douglas.**  
At a depth of 303 feet artesian water was encountered in the Copper Queen well west of the smelter Friday last, and the flow has been continual ever since. Ten gallons per minute are now flowing over the casing which is eighteen inches above the surface. The well is being bored deeper with the expectation that the artesian flow will be much increased.

**Bughouse Reservoir Delayed.**  
It had been hoped that the reservoir at the New Mexico insane asylum, which is being built to contain the overflow from the artesian well for irrigating purposes, could be finished in three weeks, but Contractor Edward Holt says that if cold weather sets in too quickly, it will prevent the completing of the concrete work and seriously delay the project.

**Crippled Cowboy.**  
Bill Anderson, the cowboy and professional steer-tyer, arrived in Mesa yesterday in a badly crippled condition and it will be sometime before he will be able to resume work. He had roped a steer on the Sunflower range, and it dragged him and his horse over the side of a mountain. Anderson's foot was crushed but the horse escaped unhurt.—Phoenix Republican.

**Brought an Insane Man.**  
Henry Henderson and J. D. Bailey, the sheriff and a deputy from Coconino county, arrived in Phoenix Monday morning from the north, bringing to the territorial asylum for the insane a patient committed from Flagstaff. The insane man is Robert Cahill. He had recently arrived in Flagstaff from Pittsburgh, Pa. Although not a violent patient, he had in many ways shown his inability to care for himself, and it was deemed wise by the authorities to commit him to the asylum.

**Salton Sea Not New.**  
According to Mrs. M. A. Osgood, who has resided in Tucson for the past twenty-two years, and who paid her first visit to Arizona forty years ago, the Salton sea is not new. She says that the sea was a reality in July, 1865. At that time she was returning to California with her husband, who was a California soldier. She had come to Arizona in April of that year on her honeymoon, having been married but a few days before to her soldier husband in San Francisco, who was ordered to this territory to aid in subduing the Apaches.

**Whiskey Kills Child.**  
The youngest case of alcoholism reported lately was in Globe, where Juan Acero, a five year-old, died from drinking whiskey, accidentally of course, for he did not realize what he was doing. His father, who is a well known blacksmith and whose name is

also Juan, had a pint flask of whiskey in the house, and after taking a drink from it, left it where the child got hold of it and drank the rest. The boy fell into a stupor and a physician was summoned. In spite of all that could be done for him the boy died the next morning. The body will be brought to Tempe for interment.

**Yaquis Are Worsted.**  
Will Hagen, who came up from the San Francisco mine in the southern part of the Arizona district of Sonora, reports to a Tucson paper that just before he left Cananea word was received by the officials there that a fight had taken place between an American prospector and a band of Yaqui Indians down near the river. Contrary to the usual outcome of these affairs, the American came off victor, killing two of the Yaquis and putting the others to flight. The prospector, whose name is not yet known, but who will shortly give out an official report of the battle, was traveling over a well known trail when the Indians attacked him. He was without companions, but had the right sort of stuff in him in the way of fighting blood, and gave the marauders better than they sent.

**Colorado River Levee.**  
Concerning the building of the Colorado river levee the Yuma Enterprise says: The grading camp of Miller & Peaseley, contractors on the levee on the Arizona side of the Colorado river, below Yuma, is located on W. O. Harris' place, about two miles from Mah street, and one-half mile from the city limits. The right of way has been cleared for about one mile, and over a quarter of a mile of the bankment is half done or better. The work starts at the Farmers' Gravity canal, about 500 feet from where it leaves the river, and they are working down the river from that point. The dirt is being taken from the river side and forty feet away from the base of the embankment. The levee will be only about six feet high at the place where they are now working, and the soil is sandy loam, so that the work will move rapidly until they get into the annual overflow where high banks will have to be built out of the adobe soil. The work is being done with Fresno scrapers. There are from twenty to thirty mule scraper teams at work, and they expect to put on more in a few days. The stock is owned by the company, but their help is mostly hired. They have a well equipped blacksmith shop and furnish tents and board to their men.

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